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Status

1)☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on *12/11/2006*.

2a)☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b)☒ This action is non-final.

3)☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

4)☒ Claim(s) *1-5* is/are pending in the application.

4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.

5)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.

6)☒ Claim(s) *1-5* is/are rejected.

7)☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.

8)☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

9)☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.

10)☒ The drawing(s) filed on *19 November 2004* is/are: a)☒ accepted or b)☐ objected to by the Examiner.

Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).

Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).

11)☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

12)☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a)☒ All b)☐ Some * c)☐ None of:

1.☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2.☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

3.☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s)/Mail Date _____.
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____ .
5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

This is in response to Applicant's Petition for review by the Office of Petitions (dated 12/11/2006); in which was granted on 1/26/2007.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

> A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –
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> (b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by FRAZIER (US Patent No: 5,081,523).

As for independent claim 1, FRAZIER teaches of a method of processing a sequence of video images to be displayed with a cathode ray tube display device, which method is intended to correct the distortions created by the instability of the high voltage circuit of the cathode ray tube during the displaying of the images, the method comprises: characterizing the distortions created by the cathode ray tube, and for each image of the sequence to be displayed, calculating the distortions affecting it and generating a precorrected image comprising the inverse distortions in *column 5, lines 9-14. (NOTE: The section teaches that the apparatus of FRAZIER is able to modulates/correct the intensity/distortion).*

As for claim 2, FRAZIER teaches that one of the distortions affecting the displaying of a current image being a global zoom varying as a function of the luminous intensity of the current

image the method comprises: determining the global zoom created by the cathode ray tube as a function of the luminous intensity of the current image and of that of the previous images in *column 6, lines 60-65;* and for each image of the sequence to be displayed; calculating the global zoom affecting the current image and generating a precorrected image by applying the inverse of the global zoom to the current image in *column 12, lines 29-50. (NOTE: Where the global zoom will be treated as the intensity and in correcting the image will be treated as applying or calculating the inverse global zoom).*

As for claim 3, FRAZIER teaches that the distortions affecting the displaying of a current image being a global zoom varying as a function of the luminous intensity of the current image and of that of the images which precede it in the sequence to be displayed and a local zoom affecting each line of the current image and varying as a function of the intensity of the line considered and of those of the lines which precede it in the current image, the method comprises: characterizing the global zoom created by the cathode ray tube as a function of the luminous intensity of the current image and of that of the previous images; characterizing the local zoom created by the cathode ray tube as a function of the luminous intensity of the line considered and of that of the previous lines in the current image in *column 6, lines 65-70;* and calculating the global zoom affecting the current image and the local zooms affecting each of its lines and generating a precorrected image by applying, to the whole image, the inverse of the global zoom and, to each of its lines, the inverse of the local zoom calculated for the line considered in *column 12, lines 29-50 as explained in claim 2. The apparatus corrects all the intensity, which encompasses the global and local zoom.*

As for claim 4, FRAZIER teaches that the distortions affecting the displaying of a current image being a local zoom affecting each line of the current image and varying as a function of the beam current necessary for displaying the relevant line and the lines which precede it in the current image, the method comprises: characterizing the local zoom created by the cathode ray tube as a function of the beam current of the cathode ray tube for the relevant line and for the preceding lines in the current image in *column 6, lines 65-70;* and calculating the local zooms affecting each of the lines of the current image from measurements of beam current of each of them and generating a precorrected image by applying to each of the lines of the current image the inverse of the local zoom calculated from the relevant line *in column 12, lines 29-50 as explained in claim 2.*

As for claim 5, FRAZIER teaches that the method comprises: characterizing the distortions created by the cathode ray tube for reference images as a function of the tube anode voltages necessary for the display of these images; and calculating the distortions affecting the current image from measurements of anode voltages necessary for the display of this image and generating a precorrected image comprising the inverse distortions in *column 12, lines 29-50 as explained in claim 2. Where the intensity is indirectly related to the voltage so in correcting the intensity, one is correcting the voltage.*

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Tammy Pham whose telephone number is (571) 272-7773. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:30 (Mon-Fri).

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Sumati Lefkowitz can be reached on (571) 272-3638. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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